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## PROTECTIVE TARIFF SENTIMENT IN SOUTH GROWING.

A brighter day is dawning through the abolition of the mental slavery which, to a large extent, has enshined the economic thought of the south.

One of the most significant signs of the times, indicative of the awakening of the south to the supreme importance of protection to the industrial interests of the country, is the growing disposition of southern papers, heretofore strong in their free trade proclivities, to give favorable attention to the need of an adequate tariff protection to local as well as national industries. They are beginning to see a new light, and many of them are taking a position which means that henceforth the south will be able to look upon protection as it never has been able to do before. Heretofore, a southern man who advocated a protective tariff was very lonely and was often the subject of bitter criticisms by southern papers. This has kept thousands of southern men who have been protectionists at heart from giving voice to their sentiment.

The awakening of the newspapers of the south to the need of finding excuses to justify the Democratic party in keeping a protective tariff on sugar and of planning to pass anti-dumping legislation is opening up new lines of thought which will be of infinite value to the south.

No longer will a man be almost ostracized if he dares to question the infallibility of free-trade theories, for many southern papers are now turning to an advocacy of protection because the Democratic party is compelled to admit the error if its ways by retaining a duty on sugar and by advocating a tariff not for revenue, but for protection, pure and simple, by anti-dumping bills in order to safeguard the interests of American manufacturers.—The Manufacturers' Record.

## BRANDEIS' CHARACTER.

It is too early to make a definite prediction regarding the action of the Senate on the nomination of Louis D. Brandeis for Justice of the Supreme Court. Mr. Brandeis' unfitness for that high office has, however, been conclusively proven. Massachusetts lawyers of the highest reputation and standing have testified to that. Albert E. Pillsbury, one of the oldest and most respected lawyers at the Boston bar and a former Attorney-General of Massachusetts, testified, regarding Brandeis: "He is an active, adroit and successful business lawyer, a man of unbounded audacity, a man of duplicity and double dealing, a man who works under cover, so that one never knows where he is or what he is about." Edward W. Hutchins, another old and highly respected lawyer of Boston, said of Brandeis: "He is a lawyer of great ability, but not straightforward." These expressions are indicative of a mass of testimony given the investigating committee, so that if the Senate votes to confirm him it will be simply because Senators dare not oppose the President, even though they regard Brandeis as unfit to be a Supreme Court Justice.

## WILSON AND THE SENATE.

Yesterday's performance in the Senate reflects no credit upon one of the truly great deliberative legislative bodies of the world. Democratic leaders of the upper house of Congress, seeming to realize the both they were making of the entire matter, hastened to respond to the crack of the Presidential whip, and, while refusing the take a decided stand on the straight-out issue presented, accomplished by cowardly indirection the desire of the administration. Even the vociferous Gore, who bandied about the Senate chamber words which never should have been spoken above a whisper, even if true, tucked his dignity between his legs and voted to table his own resolution.

After all the loose-jawed and dangerous language which has been let loose on the subject it is no nearer practical solution today than it was a week ago. The Senate simply showed itself willing to stultify its proud record as a deliberate body by adopting the easiest and most cowardly way of temporarily ridding itself of a disagreeable and thankless duty.—Commercial-Tribune.

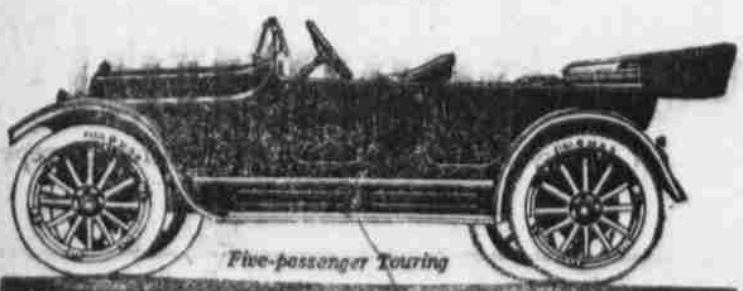
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The following poem, "Old Kentucky Hills," is taken from a volume published in 1909 by Miss Josephine Wisenall, who died last week. The sentiment of the poetry is characteristic of the love which she held for her native state and the associations she knew in the shadow of the "old Kentucky Hills" was her ever-aching solace during the long days during which she was confined to her sick-bed.

Though bent with age, my eye sight dim,  
And time my memory chills,  
It quickens, when I'm led to think,  
Of old Kentucky Hills.

I climb with childhood's feet again;  
The trees above me wave;  
Around about me shines a scene  
As fair as God e'er gave.

Just yonder, in the fairest vale,  
The Ohio's waters gleam;  
With wondrous beauty mirrored there,  
The hills again are seen.

I list, and from the feathered throngs  
The wood with rapture fills,  
The music down the valley floats,  
Of old Kentucky Hills.

Let Switzer sing his song of home;  
Fair Solota boast with pride,  
Venetian and his Gondolier,  
Sing of their lovely bride.

And Erin's bard in sweeter tone  
Sings of his Emerald Isle,  
While round me in my own sweet home,  
Fair Nature's art beguile.

Yet o'er them all, my notes shall rise,  
My very spirit thrills,  
For bluer seems to shine the skies,  
O'er old Kentucky Hills.

I know, I ne'er again shall tread  
The blue grass neath my feet,  
Nor breathe the air, made fragrant with  
The Pennyroyal sweet.

Yet, when with folded hands I lie,  
Freely from all earthly hills,  
I hope to rest beneath the shade  
Of old Kentucky Hills.

## PROSPECT FOR PEACE IS POOR.

Washington, March 7.—Colonel E. M. House, who returned Sunday from Europe, is understood to have told President Wilson that he found no more prospects for peace during his recent visit to the capitals of belligerent nations than he did on his visit last spring.

Colonel House returned from Europe Sunday after visiting Berlin, London and Paris as a special envoy of President Wilson.

Colonel House parried questions as the status of the armed ship controversy with the statement that those in Washington knew more about the subject than he did. He absolutely refused to discuss any pending diplomatic questions.

It was understood today that Colonel House expressed great admiration for the way American diplomats abroad were carrying on their work.

## WHAT MANY CHILDREN LACK.

A sad sight, indeed, it is to see so many children on our streets weak, peevish, delicate and ailing, with spindling little legs and arms and often so cross that parents can do nothing with them, all because they lack vitality. Our local druggists, Pecor Drug Company, ask the parents of every such child to try Vinol, his non-secret cod liver and iron remedy, to overcome such conditions. It contains no oil or grease, and is so delicious children love to take it.

## 300 LIVES BELIEVED LOST IN WRECK.

London, March 7.—A Lloyd's dispatch from Santos says that 238 passengers and 167 members of the crew of the Principe de Asturias are missing. The steamer was wrecked off Sebastian Point, the western extremity of the island of that name near the entrance to Santos Bay.

A humming bird when stripped of its feathers is no larger than a bumble bee.

## M'CUILLOCH SAYS ELECTION FAIR.

Covington, Ky., March 7.—In an open letter, addressed to A. T. Hert and three other Louisville men, who are delegates to the Republican national convention in Chicago, J. W. McCulloch of Owensboro, defends the legality of his election as Republican national committeeman and refuses to vacate that office.

The letter was given out here last night, following a conference held at the home of R. P. Ernst, Mr. McCulloch, Mr. Ernst, E. T. Franks, Lawson Reno and R. W. Slack and other Republicans were present at the meeting. It is in reply to one addressed to Mr. McCulloch by Mr. Hert, William Marshall Bullitt, A. E. Willson and William Heyburn, in which the writers demanded that Mr. McCulloch disavow the action of the delegates and allow the Kentucky delegation to elect a national committeeman at the convention in Chicago.

Mr. McCulloch takes the view that the action of the body in electing him committeeman was in accordance with the party law, that a majority of the body was present qualified to act, and that there was no irregularity about it. He further asserts that the supporters of Mr. Hert tried to break by a quorum and prevent an election by remaining away from the meeting; that the Hert delegates had every opportunity to attend the meeting, but were absent of their own accord.

## HARVEY GIVEN EXONERATION AND STANLEY WHITE WASHED BY HOUSE COMMITTEE.

Frankfort, Ky., March 7.—Hon. W. B. Harvey, Representative in the General Assembly from Webster county, was completely exonerated by the report of the committee appointed to investigate the charges against him made by Representative J. D. Humphrey of Fleming county, in the debate on the floor of the House over the state wide prohibition bill, which was made to the House yesterday and which was signed by every member of the committee. The report "white-washes" the Governor by not even mentioning his name. The wets finally succeeded in avoiding an inquiry into the Governor's campaign funds.

The committee made no report on the charges made by Mr. Harvey in regard to liquor contributions to the campaigns of Governor Stanley, but referred to the "counter charges made by Mr. Harvey against M. Humphrey." The only counter charge of which the newspaper men have any recollection in which Mr. Harvey used the name of Mr. Humphrey was that the attack on him by Humphrey was a deliberate frame-up on the part of the wets in the House and out of it.

## FT. THOMAS NEEDED BY REGULAR ARMY, NOT TRAINING CAMP.

Washington, March 7.—In all probability Ft. Thomas will not be available for use for a citizens' training camp this year.

This is the opinion of leading officials of the War Department and also of Representative John Hay, Chairman of the House Military Committee. The reason for this conclusion is that if the army is increased to the proportions that now seems probable every army post in the country, including Ft. Thomas, will be required to take care of the regular standing army.

There is every reason to believe that as soon as the new army bill becomes operative Ft. Thomas will cease to be a vacant post, but will fully be garrisoned.

## COUNTY MASS MEETING.

The Republican voters of Mason county are called to meet at the voting places in the various precincts on Saturday, March 11, at 2 p. m., standard time, to select members of the county executive committee to serve for a term of four years, or until their successors are elected and qualified. It is ordered that the selection made by these mass meetings be promptly reported to the chairman of secretary of the county committee.

CLARENCE MATHEWS, Chairman.  
J. Clayton Pecor, Secretary.

The light of the sun is 600,000 times greater than the full moon.

## SAY BAKER FAVORS THE SWISS SYSTEM OF ARMY SERVICE.

Cleveland, March 7.—When Newton Baker was seen regarding his new post in Washington he said that he deeply appreciated the honor bestowed upon him.

"I am very much gratified at the President's confidence in me," Baker said, "and I deeply appreciate what he has done."

Baker would not say anything in connection with his attitude on the various questions that are up in Washington now. Although he has not committed himself publicly to any definite plan of preparedness, he is regarded as strongly in favor of national defense measures. Intimate associates say that he is an advocate of the Swiss system of military training and holds with preparedness exponents that it does not mean militarism or breaking down of the democracy.

Baker recently sent the following telegram to Senator Pomerene in Washington:

"Opinion is wholly with the President. He will doubtless save the honor of the country, but can not something be done to save the party, which at present is a dismal failure?"

Three prominent Ohio Democrats were reported as having been considered by the President for Garrison's place. Former Governor Judson Harmon had been mentioned frequently as a likely appointee, and former Governor Cox is said to have been offered the post. Cox has not announced his political plans, but it is believed that if he declined the Secretaryship it was with the intention of again becoming Democratic candidate for Governor.

## TAX COMMISSION RESOLUTION IS OFFERED IN HOUSE.

Frankfort, Ky., March 7.—The resolution for the tax commission was introduced in the House yesterday afternoon by Representative Perry.

It provides that ten days after the adjournment of the Legislature the Governor shall appoint a commission of seven members composed of two Senators, two members of the House, the Attorney General, Auditor and the Treasurer. The commission is empowered to appoint one of its members to serve as secretary to receive a salary of \$250 a month.

The other members of the commission are not to receive any compensation other than their actual expenses.

The work of the commission is to include a study of tax conditions in this and other states and to investigate the manner of assessing property in the various counties of the state.

The resolution requires that the work of the commission shall be completed in eight months and that a report be submitted to the Governor which shall include a revenue taxation law. The Governor and the commission may then determine upon the advisability of an extra session.

Several bills were passed at the morning session of the Senate. They included the Ford bill relating to admission to the bar and the pure food bill.

## GERMANS TELL OF AIR RAID.

Berlin, March 7.—The Germans admirably announced that during last night's raid over England the naval depot at Hull was bombarded, the explosions being observed to be effective. All the airships returned despite violent shelling.

The official statement says: "On the night of March 5-6 German naval airships heavily bombarded the naval base of Hull on the Humber. A good effect was observed. The airships were violently shelled without effect."

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